

Home Growers for Social Justice basics

Each April, the SacValley CNPS Nursery (2140 Chase Drive, Rancho Cordova) will provide the 2” liner plants for HGSJ volunteers. We will have a couple of dates in April for Growers to join us to pot up the plants to be fostered for the summer. In October, after the Fall plant sale, the Nursery will be ready for growers to drop off their HGSJ grown plants.

In order to grow healthy plants, we use these Best Management Practices. **Please only use the plants, pots, soil, and fertilizer SacValley CNPS provides:**

Plants – healthy plants in 2” liners

Soil – use commercial blend

Fertilizer – 1 Tablespoon per pot to start; 1 more Tablespoon in July

1-Gallon Pots – these will be previously used pots that have been sterilized. (The Nursery can always use help with this!)

- How much sun should the plants get? Morning sun is ideal. They will really need shade from noon on.
- Place all plants on tables (2 ½’ tall minimum) If it’s a wood table, cover with plastic as the pots should not come in contact with wood. (Wood is a vector for Phytophthora. The plant-destroying pathogen we are avoiding.)
- Water in. This means water the plant until the pot is heavy. (Come to the Nursery during a workday and Chris or Monica will show you proper watering.) After the initial watering, check every 2 or 3 days. Water deeply. If there is **extreme heat**, water daily.



These are the “tables” at the Nursery.

For more information, you can always come to the Nursery on our workdays* (Mondays and Wednesdays 10-12), or email Monica (mjklepic@gmail.com) or Chris (cnpschris@gmail.com)

*go to the Nursery webpage (SacValleyCNPS.org/nursery) for closures due to holidays or volunteer availability